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DENVER, CO 80202-2466

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### <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Deanna Bell Operations Coordinator Petroglyph Operating Company, Inc. 4116 W. 3000 S P. O. Box 607 Roosevelt, UT 84066

> RE: UIC PERMIT AUTHORIZATION for Conversion of Additional Well to Antelope Creek Waterflood EPA Area Permit UT2736-00000

Duchesne County, Utah

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